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Thu, Dec 24, 2015 at 12:02 PM

FYI – here was Castro's response re: what happend last Xmas at the Vista. I'm also attaching a version of the flyer that we had for Labor Day and I am resending to RAP, DOT and LAPD in case they want to use.

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there any plans for increased LAFD presence in or to coordinate those areas (is that actually what happened last year, as Tony says below?). Who is the best contact person over the holiday period?

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Thanks Catherine. This is one of those damned if you do, damned if you don't.

I say this because the Observatory and Los Feliz will face its own challenges with huge crowds and vehicle traffic.

I will ask staff to pass out the flyer, but will periodically check in with conditions at the Observatory.

I'm going to tour the area today at 1 pm. I'll let you know how things are.

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Hello all. I just drove up Ledgewood (coming from Beachwood). As all of us are aware, as you come up to the 2nd intersection with multiple turning options, there are signs blocking 1/2 of the entry to the 2 streets on the right. This has always been troublesome to those of us in Lake Hollywood as it creates a "funnel" of cars to Lake Hollywood/the illegal Vista - overwhelming our neighborhood with tourists, congestion and the associated safety risks.

Well today, in addition to the multiple signs, there is an LAPD car with two officers that is OFFICIALLY STATIONED (i.e. parked with flashing lights) right behind the signs...and making sure only residents go up that street. It's like that long street has a high-end uniformed, private security service preventing anyone but residents entering their area...paid for by the taxpayers of Los Angeles. And apparently the signs have a letter attached to the back of them from our former Councilman LaBonge "authorizing" the use of those signs. Let's face it, that would have zero chance of holding up in court as there is no legal basis for those signs/blockades.

Meanwhile, in Lake Hollywood at the Vista, there are now hordes of tourists and two park rangers stationed off to the side, perhaps making sure that no one parks on the wrong side of the street or smokes. Not like having an LAPD outpost at the bottom of a private street, is it?

There is something patently wrong with what is going on right now. Does anyone have a good explanation?

Alan Winters

On Dec 24, 2015, at 11:45 AM, Rose Ware <roseware@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Thank you Lester. All excellent points

Are you listening Mayor Garcetti and Councilman Ryu?

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 24, 2015, at 10:54 AM, Lester Kiss [REDACTED] wrote:

Thank you for the additional resources. I wanted to voice the concerns of a group that never contacts LA officials about the Vista— tourists. I have spoken to many tourists with families, including young children, who are shocked that they were directed to a raw site like the Vista that has no fencing to prevent children from falling into a ravine filled with natural vegetation and cacti. As the City knows, parents will obviously be distracted looking at the sign. It will only take a moment or two for a child to fall off the side of the Vista into a ravine. This foreseeable risk, in and of itself, should have led the City to contact Google and do what is necessary to remove this site as a mass Hollywood Sign viewing destination. It is not safe for children whatsoever. The key word here is mass. In any industry, including tourism, that deals with masses of consumers, the product offered must be safe. The Vista, which is being offered by the City (due to its failure to get it removed from Google and other sites/ and/or closed), appears to be offering a dangerous product. The Vista can not be made safe because it would never pass an EIR to get it approved for hundreds of thousands of visitors. It was a dangerously poor choice for a viewing area.

Fire departments in my view are concerned with not just fire, but general safety. I agree with Heather Hamza that visitors should be redirected to another location that has been deemed safe for the masses. One with fencing and paved ground. This is not only due to residents' concerns. It is due to tourists' concerns for their own safety. Of course, I believe that any reasonable person who looks at this site would deem it unsafe for its purpose and take steps to close it down.

Best regards and happy holidays!

Lester

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 24, 2015, at 9:52 AM, PETER ZARCONE <peter.zarcone@lapd.lacity.org> wrote:

All,
In addition to the enhanced deployment of DOT Officers and Park Rangers, LAPD will keep a unit in the area throughout the holiday period.

Also, Parks has adjusted the sign at the bottom of Beachwood back to the "no access to the Hollywood sign" message. Best wishes for a peaceful Holiday!

Peter A. Zarcone, Captain
Commanding Officer
Hollywood Area

On Dec 24, 2015, at 1:47 AM, Rio Phior [REDACTED] wrote:

Catherine and All,

I have consolidated the concerns in this email chain:

1. Thanks for the info, Joe. Yet, fire burning index will not stop dry brush from going up in flames as *it has twice already from lit cigarettes at the Vista*. I think this is really the point.
2. Residents are asking, if this not a sanctioned tourist destination, then why is it being treated as one? And as Heather queries, why are people *not* being directed to an official

destination? Does the city sanction this area as a park view zone, and if so, how can that be when there was never an environmental review or public hearing for its development?

3. Last year, and years before we have had to manage the different city depts. (LAPD, DOT, Rangers, etc.) on holidays such as this, and it looks as if we will this year too. We appreciate that we have emergency contacts. Will our contacts be available when we call them at midnight, or later, as that is also when problems arise (parties, loud music, open containers)?

4. We've seen new changes at the Vista (planting, stanchions, etc.), perhaps good ones, and are wondering if there other changes planned, and if so, will we be notified prior? The Vista was formerly balded under our noses under the guise of beauty. Now it is our beast. Forgive us our edge/distrust, but city changes for this particular area rarely involve the citizens paying for them. This is disturbing.

5. Will C4 please give us a date they will have an official response to RAP's most recent strategic proposal to take pressure off the Vista, Dirt Mulholland and Beachwood, and move traffic to a view zone with supportive infrastructure? My earlier email regarding this was not answered.

Catherine, I know you answer to higher powers, but I trust you will present our concerns. Thanks for C4's support and financial outlay. It is appreciated and we are grateful for the additional help.

Our dream is for a happy holiday, and more to come.

Sincerely,

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On Dec 23, 2015, at 8:41 PM, Heather Hamza


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and Friday the
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In case of emergency your CD4
contact will be Daniel Park,
daniel.park@lacity.org
for Dec 24th and Dec 25th, and then Adam Miller
adam.miller@lacity.org
for the remainder of the holiday period though Jan
3rd.

Other
resources and points of contact (in case you don't have
already):

DOT call center
24hours (213) 485-4184
Rec & Parks
Ranger Dispatch 213-644-6661 - ask for the watch
commander
LAPD Senior Lead Officer Tracye
Fields 33844@lapd.lacity.org
LAFD Deputy Chief Joe Castro joseph.castro@lacity.org

Thank you and have a happy
holidays,
Catherine

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Office of Councilmember David Ryu

*Please excuse typos, sent
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Thanks Catherine. This is one of those damned if you do, damned if you don't.

I say this because the Observatory and Los Feliz will face its own
challenges with huge crowds and vehicle traffic.

I will ask staff to pass out the flyer, but will periodically check in
with conditions at the Observatory.

I'm going to tour the area today at 1 pm. I'll let you know how things are.

Merry Christmas,
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Sent from my iPhone

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 >> Joe Salaices
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 >> (323) 661-9465
 > <Hollywood Sign Directions.pub>

Catherine Landers <catherine.landiers@lacity.org>
 To: Jennifer Cohen <jennifer.cohen@lacity.org>

Thu, Dec 24, 2015 at 12:14 PM

Thanks! Here's a handout that redirect visitors to Griffith Park, if you want to forward to whoever might be on duty, if it's helpful to have as a handout to redirect people out of the neighborhoods to view the Sign and into Griffith Park – though that itself will be very impacted today as well. We had Rec & Parks and the LAPD Cadets handing this out at Labor Day.

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On Wed, Dec 23, 2015 at 2:46 PM, Jennifer Cohen <jennifer.cohen@lacity.org> wrote:

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Bcc: Estevan Montemayor <estevan.montemayor@lacity.org>

Thank you Capt. Zarcone and Chief Castro for your responses and to Rec & Parks for updating the sign at the bottom of Beachwood.

And thank you to all as always for your feedback.

Regarding Heather's suggestion, there already is a handout with directions directing folks to Griffith Park, and it's something they have been doing during periods of enhanced enforcement.

And as you know, redirecting visitors - before they even get up there - to viewing locations away from residential neighborhoods is a part of solving the problem.

It's why we have been working with Rec and Parks on the the Griffith Park Action Plan including way-finding and mid-term solutions. We've been working with RAP to make this plan responsive to all communities and to ensure that its successful. More details will be available when the MND is released in early January and when we have our next public meeting on January 11th.

There has already been quite a bit of opposition voiced on this plan, and we need your support to make sure it is a success. Please mark you calendars for the evening of **January 11th** and plan on attending the next public meeting! More details on the meeting to come.

And finally, as to decisions and updates regarding Lake Hollywood Coalition's suggestions for the Vista, as was mentioned in prior emails, we will coordinate through Khaled. We're looking to set up a meeting in early January.

One more number I should have included with emergency contacts: 1-877-ASK-LAPD. It is open **24 hours** (as is the DOT #), and that's where you can direct concerns about parties, loud noise, etc.

I am out of the office beginning today. Have a very happy holidays!

Thank you,
Catherine

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Thank you Lester. All excellent points

Are you listening Mayor Garcetti and Councilman Ryu?

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 24, 2015, at 10:54 AM, Lester Kiss <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Thank you for the additional resources. I wanted to voice the concerns of a group that never contacts LA officials about the Vista—tourists. I have spoken to many tourists with families, including young children, who are shocked that they were directed to a raw site like the Vista that has no fencing to prevent children from falling into a ravine filled with natural vegetation and cacti. As the City knows, parents will obviously be distracted looking at the sign. It will only take a moment or two for a child to fall off the side of the Vista into a ravine. This foreseeable risk, in and of itself, should have led the City to contact Google and do what is necessary to remove this site as a mass Hollywood Sign viewing destination. It is not safe for children whatsoever. The key word here is mass. In any industry, including tourism, that deals with masses of consumers, the product offered must be safe. The Vista, which is being offered by the City (due to its failure to get it removed from Google and other sites/ and/or closed), appears to be offering a dangerous product. The Vista can not be made safe because it would never pass an EIR to get it approved for hundreds of thousands of visitors. It was a dangerously poor choice for a viewing area.

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Best regards and happy holidays!

Lester

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 24, 2015, at 9:52 AM, PETER ZARCONE <peter.zarcone@lapd.lacity.org> wrote:

All,

In addition to the enhanced deployment of DOT Officers and Park Rangers, LAPD will keep a unit in the area throughout the holiday period.

Also, Parks has adjusted the sign at the bottom of Beachwood back to the "no access to the Hollywood sign" message. Best wishes for a peaceful Holiday!

Peter A. Zarcone, Captain
Commanding Officer
Hollywood Area

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I have consolidated the concerns in this email chain:

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Are you listening Mayor Garcetti and Councilman Ryu?

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All,

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Date: Wednesday, December 23, 2015, 8:13 PM

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Thu, Dec 24, 2015 at 12:31 PM

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Hello all. I just drove up LedgeWood (coming from Beachwood). As all of us are aware, as you come up to the 2nd intersection with multiple turning options, there are signs blocking 1/2 of the entry to the 2 streets on the right. This has always been troublesome to those of us in Lake Hollywood as it creates a "funnel" of cars to Lake Hollywood/the illegal Vista - overwhelming our neighborhood with tourists, congestion and the associated safety risks.

Well today, in addition to the multiple signs, there is an LAPD car with two officers that is OFFICIALLY STATIONED (i.e. parked with flashing lights) right behind the signs...and making sure only residents go up that street. It's like that long street has a high-end uniformed, private security service preventing anyone but residents entering their area...paid for by the taxpayers of Los Angeles. And apparently the signs have a letter attached to the back of them from our former Councilman LaBonge "authorizing" the use of those signs. Let's face it, that would have zero chance of holding up in court as there is no legal basis for those signs/blockades.

Meanwhile, in Lake Hollywood at the Vista, there are now hordes of tourists and two park rangers stationed off to the side, perhaps making sure that no one parks on the wrong side of the street or smokes. Not like having an LAPD outpost at the bottom of a private street, is it?

There is something patently wrong with what is going on right now. Does anyone have a good explanation?

Alan Winters

On Dec 24, 2015, at 11:45 AM, Rose Ware <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Thank you Lester. All excellent points

Are you listening Mayor Garcetti and Councilman Ryu?

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 24, 2015, at 10:54 AM, Lester Kiss <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Thank you for the additional resources. I wanted to voice the concerns of a group that never

problems arise (parties, loud music, open containers)?

4. We've seen new changes at the Vista (planting, stanchions, etc.), perhaps good ones, and are wondering if there other changes planned, and if so, will we be notified prior? The Vista was formerly balded under our noses under the guise of beauty. Now it is our beast. Forgive us our edge/distrust, but city changes for this particular area rarely involve the citizens paying for them. This is disturbing.

5. Will C4 please give us a date they will have an official response to RAP's most recent strategic proposal to take pressure off the Vista, Dirt Mulholland and Beachwood, and move traffic to a view zone with supportive infrastructure? My earlier email regarding this was not answered.

Catherine, I know you answer to higher powers, but I trust you will present our concerns. Thanks for C4's support and financial outlay. It is appreciated and we are grateful for the additional help.

Our dream is for a happy holiday, and more to come.

Sincerely,

Rio

On Dec 23, 2015, at 8:41 PM, Heather Hamza
[REDACTED] wrote:

Whew, what a relief. Now we don't have to be concerned when people flick their cigarette butts into the brush?

On Wed, 12/23/15, Joseph Castro <joseph.castro@lacity.org> wrote:

Subject: Re: DOT PARKING/ ENFORCEMENT ON Christmas Eve and Day HOLLYWOOD Sign

To: "Heather Hamza" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "Catherine Landers" <catherine.landiers@lacity.org>, "Tony Fisch" <[REDACTED]>, "R.C. Smith"

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"Tj Escott" <[REDACTED]>, "Rose Ware"

<[REDACTED]>, "Tara Stephenson"

<[REDACTED]>, "Sydney C Shapiro"

<[REDACTED]>, "Paul Rusconi"

<[REDACTED]>, "THE YORKS"

<[REDACTED]>, "Rio Phior" <[REDACTED]>

<[REDACTED]>, "Christine OBrien" <[REDACTED]>

"Linda Doe" <[REDACTED]>, "David Benz"

<[REDACTED]>, "Andy Corrigan"

<[REDACTED]>, "Tiger Rosen"

<[REDACTED]>, "Albert Torres"

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contacts LA officials about the Vista-- tourists. I have spoken to many tourists with families, including young children, who are shocked that they were directed to a raw site like the Vista that has no fencing to prevent children from falling into a ravine filled with natural vegetation and cacti. As the City knows, parents will obviously be distracted looking at the sign. It will only take a moment or two for a child to fall off the side of the Vista into a ravine. This foreseeable risk, in and of itself, should have led the City to contact Google and do what is necessary to remove this site as a mass Hollywood Sign viewing destination. It is not safe for children whatsoever. The key word here is mass. In any industry, including tourism, that deals with masses of consumers, the product offered must be safe. The Vista, which is being offered by the City (due to its failure to get it removed from Google and other sites/ and/or closed), appears to be offering a dangerous product. The Vista can not be made safe because it would never pass an EIR to get it approved for hundreds of thousands of visitors. It was a dangerously poor choice for a viewing area.

Fire departments in my view are concerned with not just fire, but general safety. I agree with Heather Hamza that visitors should be redirected to another location that has been deemed safe for the masses. One with fencing and paved ground. This is not only due to residents' concerns. It is due to tourists' concerns for their own safety. Of course, I believe that any reasonable person who looks at this site would deem it unsafe for its purpose and take steps to close it down.

Best regards and happy holidays!

Lester

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 24, 2015, at 9:52 AM, PETER ZARCONE <peter.zarcone@lapd.lacity.org> wrote:

All,

In addition to the enhanced deployment of DOT Officers and Park Rangers, LAPD will keep a unit in the area throughout the holiday period.

Also, Parks has adjusted the sign at the bottom of Beachwood back to the "no access to the Hollywood sign" message. Best wishes for a peaceful Holiday!

Peter A. Zarcone, Captain
Commanding Officer
Hollywood Area

On Dec 24, 2015, at 1:47 AM, Rio Phior <Rio.Prior@lapd.lacity.org> wrote:

Catherine and All,

I have consolidated the concerns in this email chain:

1. Thanks for the info, Joe. Yet, fire burning index will not stop dry brush from going up in flames *as it has twice already from lit cigarettes at the Vista*. I think this is really the point.

2. Residents are asking, if this not a sanctioned tourist destination, then why is it being treated as one? And as Heather queries, why are people *not* being directed to an official destination? Does the city sanction this area as a park view zone, and if so, how can that be when there was never an environmental review or public hearing for its development?

3. Last year, and years before we have had to manage the different city depts. (LAPD, DOT, Rangers, etc.) on holidays such as this, and it looks as if we will this year too. We appreciate that we have emergency contacts. Will our contacts be available when we call them at midnight, or later, as that is also when

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 <[REDACTED]>, "Jeremiah Christopher"
 [REDACTED] "TRACY FIELDS"
 <33844@lapd.lacity.org>, "PETER ZARCONE"
 <peter.zarcone@lapd.lacity.org>, "Daniel Park"
 <daniel.park@lacity.org>, "Adam Miller"
 <adam.miller@lacity.org>

Date: Wednesday, December 23, 2015, 8:13 PM

Fire burning index for
 Thursday & Friday is "low" with 37%
 relative humidity and decent
 fuel moisture levels due to the
 recent rain. Minimal fire threat

Potential for some
 moderate winds on Saturday
 however.

Sent
 from my iPhone

On Dec 23,
 2015, at 7:47 PM, Heather Hamza <[REDACTED]>
 wrote:

This still does not
 address my question.

Why
 can't we direct people OUT of our neighborhood who are
 solely coming to
 view the sign?

The flashing neon sign at the
 bottom of Beachwood usually says, "NO ACCESS
 TO HWOOD SIGN." For some reason, now it
 only flashes "CAUTION" which
 frankly has no meaning.

Thank you,
 Heather

From: Catherine Landers <catherine.landern@lacity.org>
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 Daniel Park <daniel.park@lacity.org>;
 Adam Miller <adam.miller@lacity.org>
 Sent: Wednesday, December 23, 2015 7:38 PM
 Subject: Re: DOT PARKING/ ENFORCEMENT ON Christmas Eve and Day HOLLYWOOD Sign

CD4 has been
 in communication with all of the departments, DOT, LAFD,
 LAPD
 and RAP to ensure the safety of
 residents over the holiday.

As I mentioned, we are paying for a team of
 extra DOT officers from Dec 25
 - Jan 3rd.
 Park Rangers patrols will be increased in the area tomorrow
 and
 there will be a Ranger stationed from
 12-5 every day starting Dec 25. LAPD
 Watch
 Commander is going ensure that patrol car spends a
 significant amount
 of time in the area
 enforcing no smoking and traffic violations. LAFD is
 going to commit the same resources as it did
 last year (fyi, for Thursday

and Friday the
burning index will actually be very low).

In case of emergency your CD4
contact will be Daniel Park,
daniel.park@lacity.org
for Dec 24th and Dec 25th, and then Adam Miller
adam.miller@lacity.org
for the remainder of the holiday period though Jan
3rd.

Other
resources and points of contact (in case you don't have
already):

DOT call center
24hours (213) 485-4184
Rec & Parks
Ranger Dispatch [213-644-6661](tel:213-644-6661) - ask for the watch
commander
LAPD Senior Lead Officer Tracye
Fields 33844@lapd.lacity.org
LAFD Deputy Chief Joe Castro joseph.castro@lacity.org

Thank you and have a happy
holidays,
Catherine

Catherine Landers
Office of Councilmember David Ryu

*Please excuse typos, sent
from my iPhone*

On Dec 23,
2015, at 11:03 AM, Tony Fisch <tony.fisch@lacity.org>
wrote:

Dear Catherine, last
year C4 also was kind enough to pay for additional
enforcement coverage through the new year.
The problem was that starting
Christmas Eve
there was no person assigned on the City Dept side, or C4
side to oversee and assure that the enforcement
was coordinated and
effective.

On Christmas Eve I emailed
LAFD Deputy Chief, Fire Marshal Vidovich, who
immediately had two of his battalion Chiefs
coordinate enforcement. DOT,
RAP and LAPD
were all involved and coordinated, and they helped a
great
deal. This was greatly appreciated.

The crowds begin to come up
here on the 24th, and Christmas was scary.
With beautiful weather predicted I expect even
more tourist presence.

Can
you please confirm who from the City Depts side and C4 will

be managing
this so we can rest easy via
assurance of public safety?

Last year every possible law was being
violated. Lots of open container
drinking
at the park, Illegal Vistas, and on properties on Canyon
Lake.

All were used as urinals, trash cans
and ash treys. Tour operators were up
here
in droves. I do believe there were a few car accidents as
well.

Thank you

Tony
Fisch

President, Tony Fisch
Consulting

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On Dec 23,
2015, at 10:35 AM, Catherine Landers <
catherine.landiers@lacity.org>
wrote:

Hi Tony -

CD4 is paying for additional
enforcement officers for the area beginning on
Dec 25th and continuing through Jan 3rd.

Thank you,
Catherine

Catherine Landers
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On Tue, Dec 22, 2015 at 11:54

PM, Tony Fisch <tony.fisch@tonyfischconsulting.com>
wrote:

Happy
holiday R.C. Traffic and illegal parking are expected to
be
intensified this week under the Hollywood
Sign with sunny days, especially
around the